

**REMARKS**

The above-captioned application was restricted to one of three groups of claims by the Examiner under 35 U.S.C. §121 and 372. Applicants hereby elect the Group III claims (claims 21-34), drawn to a device for fragmenting a peptide or protein ion.

The election of species required by the Examiner is rendered moot by the election of Group III claims because the election of species was in relation to claim Groups I and II. The elected claims are believed to be allowable. Passage of the application to issuance is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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